

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

CRAIG SCOTT

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v.

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CIVIL NO. CCB-16-2042

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Criminal No. CCB-95-0202

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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**MEMORANDUM**

Federal prison inmate Craig Scott has filed a petition under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 seeking to vacate his convictions under 18 U.S.C. § 924(c) for use of a firearm in connection with a crime of violence, specifically armed bank robbery. He relies on the Supreme Court's decision in *Johnson v. United States*, 135 S. Ct. 2551 (2015). The Fourth Circuit granted his request to file a successive § 2255 as to the *Johnson* issue only.

Scott's petition must be denied. The Fourth Circuit has held that a bank robbery conviction under 18 U.S.C. § 2113(a) is a crime of violence. *United States v. McNeal*, 818 F.3d 141, 153 (4th Cir. 2016). Accordingly, the petition will be denied by a separate Order which follows. No certificate of appealability will be issued.<sup>1</sup>

May 3, 2017

Date

/S/

Catherine C. Blake  
United States District Judge

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<sup>1</sup> Scott is free to seek a certificate of appealability from the Fourth Circuit.